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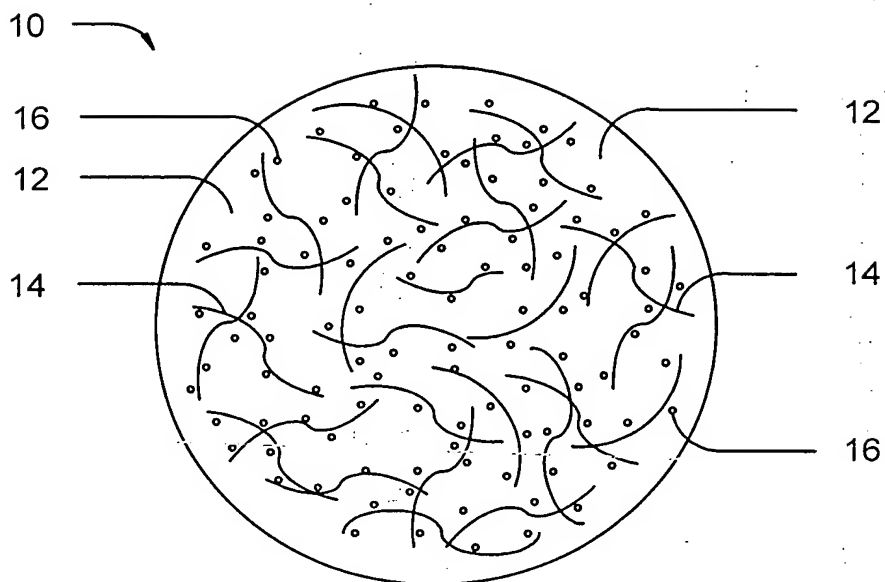


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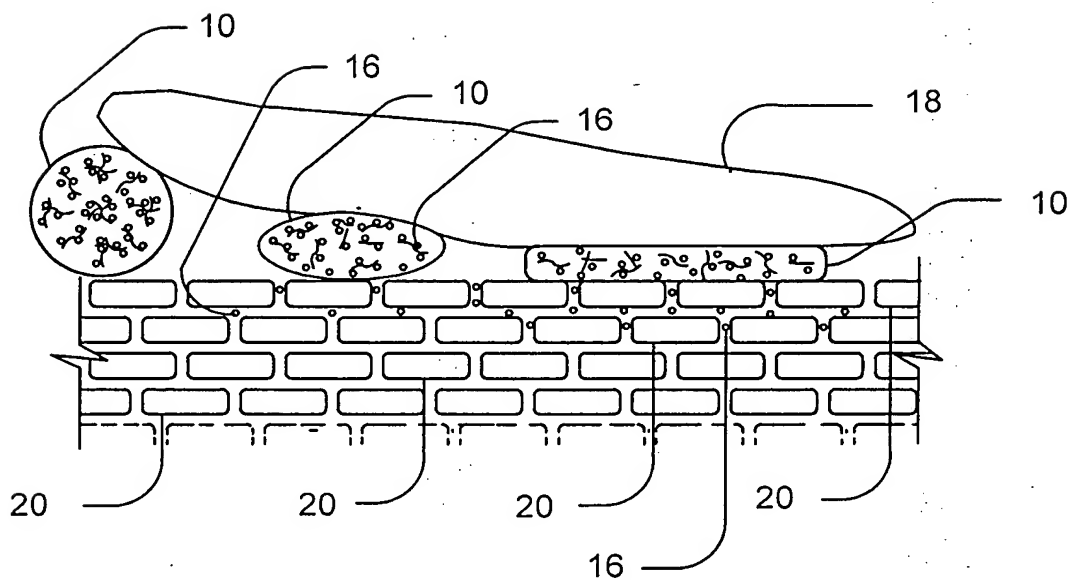


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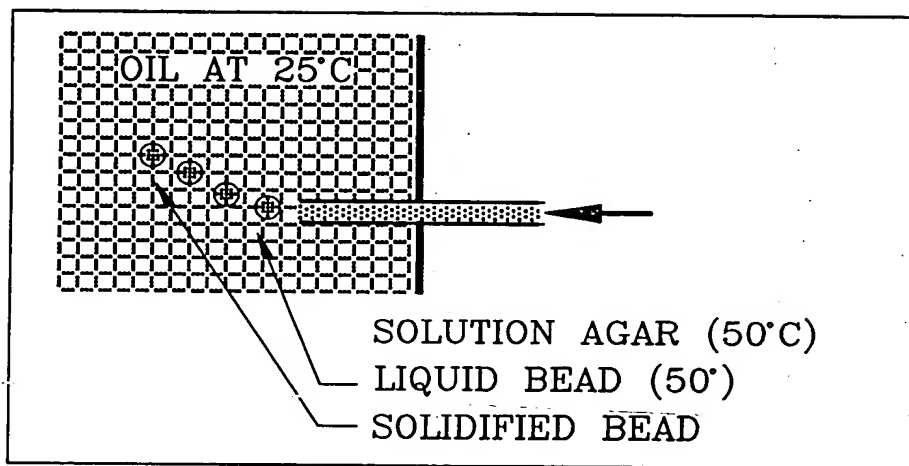


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 ACTIVE AGENT

LESS STABLE ACTIVE  
 AGENT 16

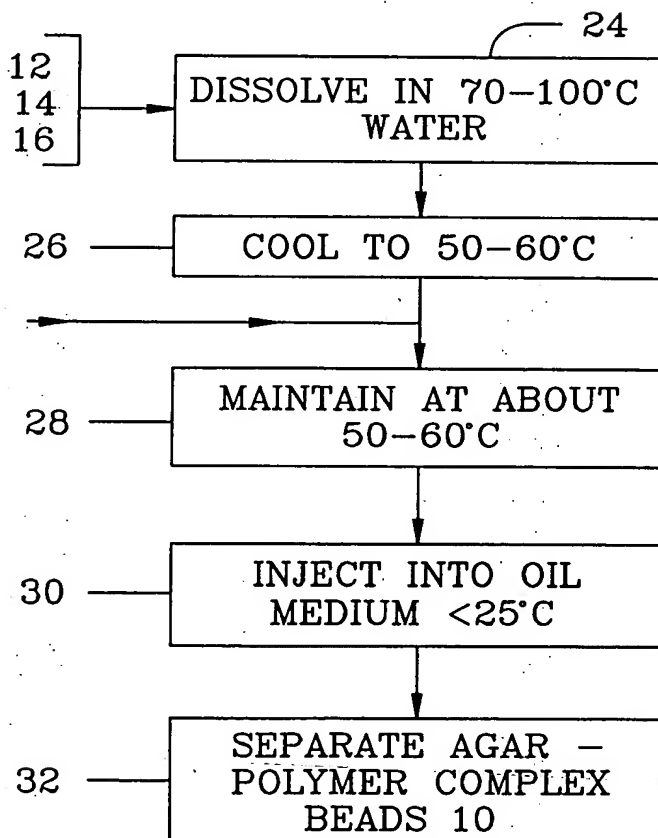


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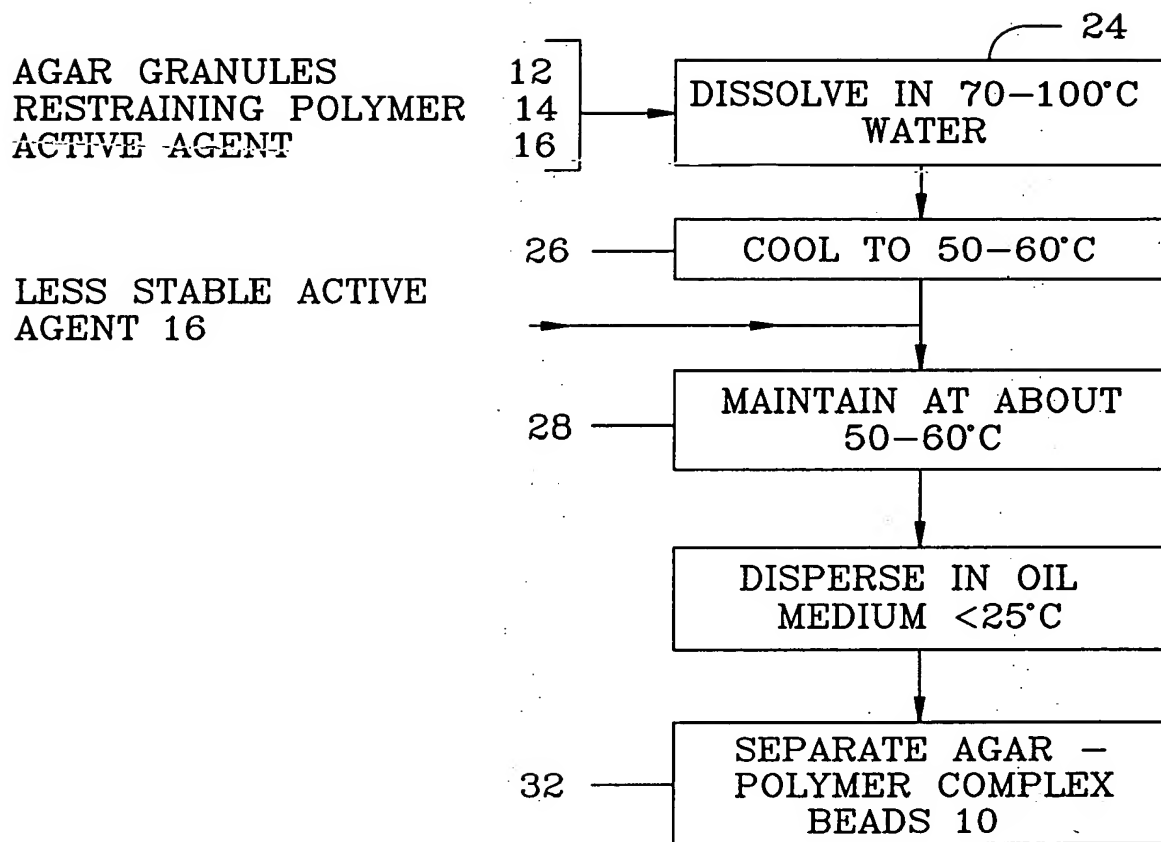


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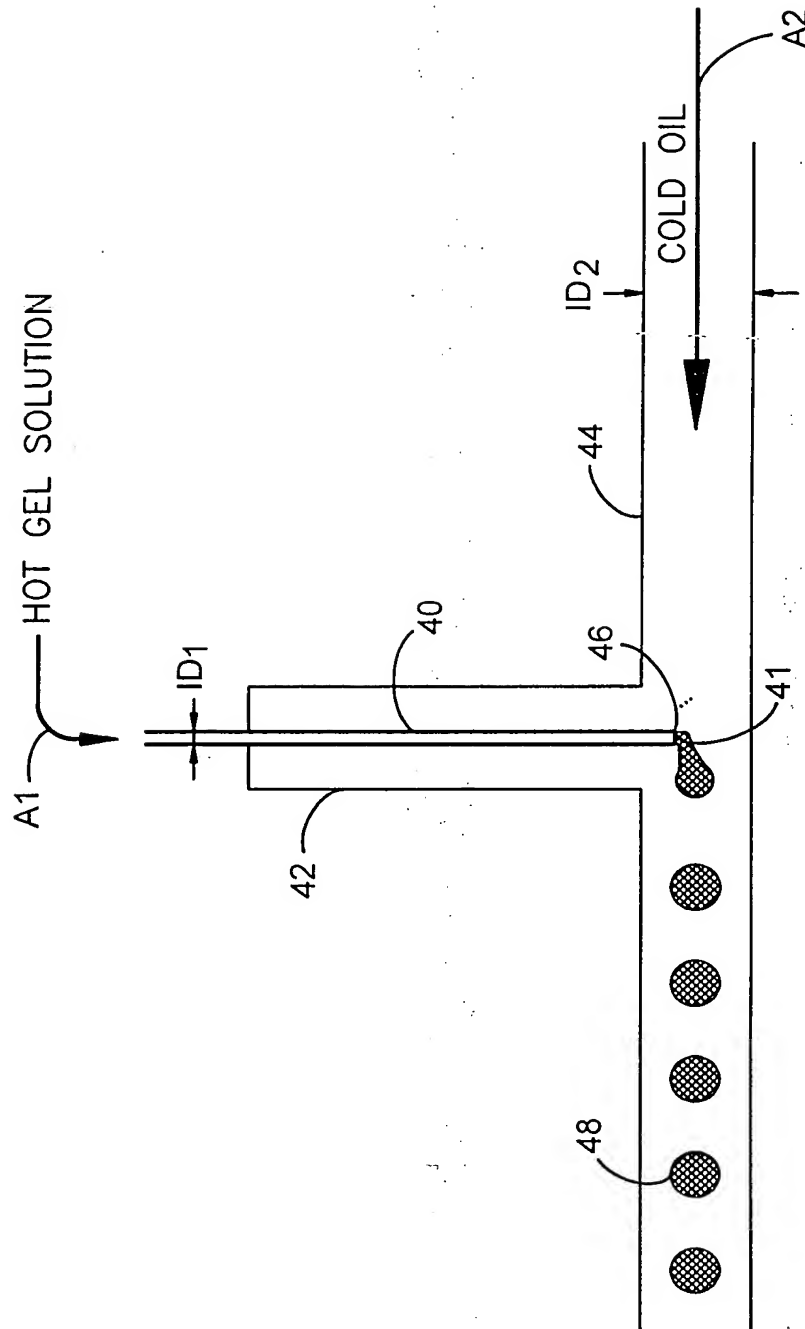


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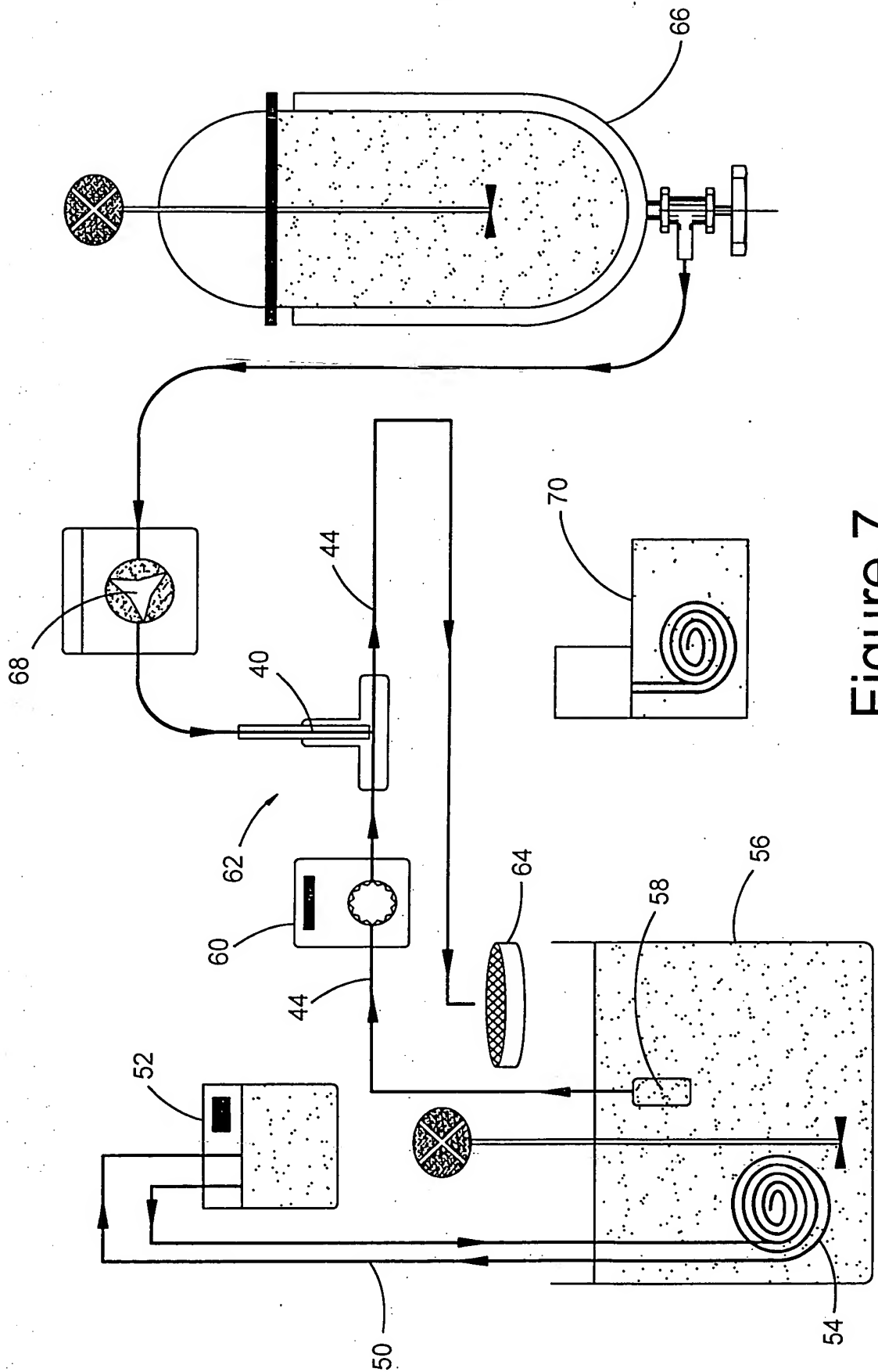


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